Idaho State Resource Strategy Proposed Process

December 3, 2009

Idaho Resource Strategy Goals:

- Describe long-term strategies to address issues and priority landscapes identified in the SAFR.
- Identify how federal, state, private and other resources could be invested and aligned to address issues in priority landscapes that cross ownerships.
- Identify how Forest Service State & Private Forestry program areas can contribute to long-term goals and strategies.
- Identify measures of success.
- Describe how the State will address national State & Private Forestry themes and objectives.
- Describe how strategies will be used to design annual plans and actions, and how outcomes will be monitored and strategies revised.

Proposed Process:

Identify Priority Areas

- Use SAFR Final Map
- Include key landscapes urban areas, multi-state areas

Identify Statewide Goals/Strategies

- Use SAFR Issues
- Applicable to all Priority Areas

For Each Priority Area:

- Use SAFR Issues
- Identify Area-Specific Goals/Strategies

(Area-Specific + Statewide = Idaho Goals/Strategies)

Criteria for Priority Areas:

- Areas with driving concerns or benefits that warrant priority use of statewide resources. Areas with multiple issues or strong influence of 1-2 Issues (from SAFR).
- Include landscapes, watersheds, urban areas, multi-state areas, or smaller areas with strong issues.
- Areas with existing collaborative efforts and/or large commitments of resources (infers high concern or potential benefit with investment). Or, Areas with high potential for collaborative efforts/large-scale projects.

- Areas that have identities—areas that people will identify with, have a "story,"
 can be named.
- Boundaries of Priority Areas should not be considered critical or fixed- look for general areas that can be pliable, adjustable to fit developing strategies/actions.

Timeline:

2009

December 17: Core-team meeting to identify Priority Areas & Statewide Goals/Strategies (preliminary); Pre-work: Use criteria to identify candidate Priority Areas.

2010

- Early January: Send Map of Proposed Priority Areas to Stakeholders and Core Team; Ask for Feedback.
- January 28: Core Team meeting to finalize Priority Areas & Statewide Goals/Strategies; Identify Area-specific Goals/Strategies for Northern Panhandle and Coeur d'Alene Areas. Pre-work for all Core Team "Priority Area" meetings: contact key partners in advance and ask for (& bring to meeting) existing or planned strategies for specific Priority Areas.
- February 8: Feedback on Proposed Statewide Goals and Strategies and First Area-Specific Goals and Strategies
- February 18: Core Team meeting to Identify Area-specific Goals/Strategies for Palouse, St. Joe/Clearwater, Bitterroot Corridor Areas
- February 19: Core Team meeting to Identify Area-specific Goals/Strategies for Craig-Camas, West Central Idaho Areas
- March 9: Core Team meeting to Identify Area-specific Goals/Strategies for Boise River, Snake River, Wood River Areas
- March 10: Core Team meeting to Identify Area-specific Goals/Strategies for Lemhi-Pahsimeroi, Sawtooth, Teton-West slope, Eastern Idaho Complex Areas
- May 3: Draft Resource Strategy Report distributed to Stakeholders and Core Team for comments
- May 14: Feedback and comments due
- May 18: Core Team meeting to review comments and decide how best to incorporate and provide additional guidance for final document development
- June 4: Preliminary final draft incorporating comments complete and ready for internal review
- June 18: Final draft complete and submitted to US Forest Service for approval